## SENATE BILL NO. 446

## 102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR WASHINGTON.

0269S.01I KRISTINA MARTIN, Secretary

## **AN ACT**

To repeal section 650.058, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof two new sections relating to restitution for individuals who are actually innocent.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Section 650.058, RSMo, is repealed and two new

- 2 sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections
- 3 490.800 and 650.058, to read as follows:
  - 490.800. 1. Notwithstanding the sovereign immunity of
- the state, any individual who was found guilty of a felony
- 3 in a Missouri court and was later determined to be actually
- 4 innocent of such offense as a result of any evidentiary
- 5 method except DNA profiling analysis may be paid
- 6 restitution. The individual may receive an amount of one
- 7 hundred dollars per day for each day of postconviction
- 8 incarceration for the offense for which the individual is
- 9 determined to be actually innocent. The petition for the
- 10 payment of such restitution shall be filed with the
- 11 sentencing court. For the purposes of this section, the
- 12 term "actually innocent" shall mean:
- 13 (1) The individual was convicted of a felony for which
- 14 a final order of release was entered by the court;
- 15 (2) All appeals of the order of release have been
- 16 exhausted;
- 17 (3) The individual was not serving any term of a
- 18 sentence for any other offense concurrently with the

EXPLANATION-Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in this bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

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19 sentence for which he or she is determined to be actually 20 innocent, unless such individual was serving another 21 concurrent sentence because his or her parole was revoked by a court or the parole board in connection with the offense 22 23 for which the person has been exonerated. Regardless of 24 whether any other basis may exist for the revocation of the 25 person's probation or parole at the time of conviction for 26 the offense for which the person is later determined to be 27 actually innocent, when the court's or the parole board's 28 sole stated reason for the revocation in its order is the 29 conviction for the offense for which the person is later determined to be actually innocent, such order shall, for 30 31 purposes of this section only, be conclusive evidence that 32 the person's probation or parole was revoked in connection 33 with the offense for which the person has been exonerated; 34 and 35 The evidentiary method demonstrates the person's

innocence of the offense for which the person is in custody.

Any individual who receives restitution under this section shall not also receive restitution under section 650.058 for the same offense the person was determined to be actually innocent and shall be prohibited from seeking any civil redress from the state, its departments and agencies, or any employee thereof, or any political subdivision or its employees. This section shall not be construed as a waiver of sovereign immunity for any purposes other than the restitution provided for herein. The department of corrections shall determine the aggregate amount of restitution owed during a fiscal year. If insufficient moneys are appropriated each fiscal year to pay restitution to such persons, the department shall pay each individual

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who has received an order awarding restitution a pro rata share of the amount appropriated. Provided sufficient moneys are appropriated to the department, the amounts owed to such individual shall be paid on June thirtieth of each subsequent fiscal year, until such time as the restitution to the individual has been paid in full. No individual awarded restitution under this subsection shall receive more than thirty-six thousand five hundred dollars during each fiscal year. No interest on unpaid restitution shall be awarded to the individual. No individual who has been determined by the court to be actually innocent shall be responsible for the costs of care under section 217.831. 

- 2. A petition for payment of restitution under this section may be filed only by the individual determined to be actually innocent or the individual's legal guardian. No claim or petition for restitution under this section may be filed by the individual's heirs or assigns. An individual's right to receive restitution under this section is not assignable or otherwise transferrable. The state's obligation to pay restitution under this section shall cease upon the individual's death. Any beneficiary designation that purports to bequeath, assign, or otherwise convey the right to receive such restitution shall be void and unenforceable.
- 3. An individual who is determined to be actually innocent of an offense under this section shall automatically be granted an order of expungement from the court in which he or she pled guilty or was sentenced to expunge from all official records all recordations of his or her arrest, plea, trial, or conviction. Upon the court's granting the order of expungement, the records and files maintained in any administrative or court proceeding in an

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94 95 associate or circuit division of the court shall be confidential and available only to the parties or by order of the court for good cause shown. The effect of such order shall be to restore such person to the status he or she occupied prior to such arrest, plea, or conviction as if such event had never taken place. No person as to whom such order has been entered shall be held thereafter under any provision of any law to be guilty of perjury or otherwise giving a false statement by reason of his or her failure to recite or acknowledge such arrest, plea, trial, conviction, or expungement in response to any inquiry made of him or her for any purpose whatsoever, and no such inquiry shall be made for information relating to an expungement under this section.

650.058. Notwithstanding the sovereign immunity of 2 the state, any individual who was found guilty of a felony in a Missouri court and was later determined to be actually 3 4 innocent of such crime solely as a result of DNA profiling 5 analysis may be paid restitution. The individual may 6 receive an amount of one hundred dollars per day for each day of postconviction incarceration for the crime for which 7 the individual is determined to be actually innocent. 8 9 petition for the payment of said restitution shall be filed 10 with the sentencing court. For the purposes of this section, the term "actually innocent" shall mean: 11 12

- 12 (1) The individual was convicted of a felony for which 13 a final order of release was entered by the court;
- 14 (2) All appeals of the order of release have been exhausted;
- 16 (3) The individual was not serving any term of a 17 sentence for any other crime concurrently with the sentence 18 for which he or she is determined to be actually innocent,

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19 unless such individual was serving another concurrent 20 sentence because his or her parole was revoked by a court or 21 the parole board in connection with the crime for which the person has been exonerated. Regardless of whether any other 22 basis may exist for the revocation of the person's probation 23 or parole at the time of conviction for the crime for which 24 25 the person is later determined to be actually innocent, when 26 the court's or the parole board's sole stated reason for the revocation in its order is the conviction for the crime for 27 28 which the person is later determined to be actually innocent, such order shall, for purposes of this section 29 only, be conclusive evidence that [their] the person's 30 31 probation or parole was revoked in connection with the crime for which the person has been exonerated; and 32 Testing ordered under section 547.035, or testing 33 by the order of any state or federal court, if such person 34 was exonerated on or before August 28, 2004, or testing 35 ordered under section 650.055, if such person was or is 36 37 exonerated after August 28, 2004, demonstrates a person's 38 innocence of the crime for which the person is in custody. 39 Any individual who receives restitution under this section 40 shall be prohibited from seeking any civil redress from the state, its departments and agencies, or any employee 41 42 thereof, or any political subdivision or its employees. This section shall not be construed as a waiver of sovereign 43 immunity for any purposes other than the restitution 44 provided for herein. The department of corrections shall 45 determine the aggregate amount of restitution owed during a 46 fiscal year. If insufficient moneys are appropriated each 47 fiscal year to pay restitution to such persons, the 48 49 department shall pay each individual who has received an

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50 order awarding restitution a pro rata share of the amount

- 51 appropriated. Provided sufficient moneys are appropriated
- 52 to the department, the amounts owed to such individual shall
- 53 be paid on June thirtieth of each subsequent fiscal year,
- 54 until such time as the restitution to the individual has
- 55 been paid in full. However, no individual awarded
- 56 restitution under this subsection shall receive more than
- 57 thirty-six thousand five hundred dollars during each fiscal
- 58 year. No interest on unpaid restitution shall be awarded to
- 59 the individual. No individual who has been determined by
- 60 the court to be actually innocent shall be responsible for
- 61 the costs of care under section 217.831.
- 62 2. If the results of the DNA testing confirm the
- 63 person's guilt, then the person filing for DNA testing under
- 64 section 547.035, shall:
- (1) Be liable for any reasonable costs incurred when
- 66 conducting the DNA test, including but not limited to the
- 67 cost of the test. Such costs shall be determined by the
- 68 court and shall be included in the findings of fact and
- 69 conclusions of law made by the court; and
- 70 (2) Be sanctioned under the provisions of section
- 71 217.262.
- 72 3. A petition for payment of restitution under this
- 73 section may [only] be filed **only** by the individual
- 74 determined to be actually innocent or the individual's legal
- 75 guardian. No claim or petition for restitution under this
- 76 section may be filed by the individual's heirs or assigns.
- 77 An individual's right to receive restitution under this
- 78 section is not assignable or otherwise transferrable. The
- 79 state's obligation to pay restitution under this section
- 80 shall cease upon the individual's death. Any beneficiary
- 81 designation that purports to bequeath, assign, or otherwise

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82 convey the right to receive such restitution shall be void 83 and unenforceable.

- 4. An individual who is determined to be actually innocent of a crime under this chapter shall automatically be granted an order of expungement from the court in which he or she pled guilty or was sentenced to expunge from all 87 official records all recordations of his or her arrest, 88 89 plea, trial or conviction. Upon the court's granting of the 90 order of expungement, the records and files maintained in 91 any administrative or court proceeding in an associate or circuit division of the court shall be confidential and 92 93 [only] available only to the parties or by order of the 94 court for good cause shown. The effect of such order shall be to restore such person to the status he or she occupied 95 prior to such arrest, plea or conviction and as if such 96 97 event had never taken place. No person as to whom such order has been entered shall be held thereafter under any 98 provision of any law to be guilty of perjury or otherwise giving a false statement by reason of his or her failure to recite or acknowledge such arrest, plea, trial, conviction 101 or expungement in response to any inquiry made of him or her 102 for any purpose whatsoever, and no such inquiry shall be 103 made for information relating to an expungement under this 105 section.
  - Any individual who receives restitution under section 490.800 shall not also receive restitution under this section for the same offense the individual was determined to be found actually innocent.